

## Message Text

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LONDON FOR SEITZ

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: PGOV, GH

SUBJ: GENERAL ACHEAMPONG RESIGNS

1. AT 2:30 P.M. TODAY, COMMISSIONER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
R.J.A. FELLI ANNOUNCED TO HEADS OF ALL DIPLOMATIC  
MISSIONS, WHO HAD BEEN SUMMONED TO HIS OFFICE ONE  
HOUR BEFORE, THAT CHIEF OF STATE AND CHAIRMAN OF  
THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL GENERAL I.K.  
ACHEAMPONG HAD RESIGNED FROM OFFICE AS OF THIS  
MORNING. COLONEL FELLI STATED ACHEAMPONG, WHO WAS  
"SAFE AND WELL" HAD ALSO ASKED TO BE RETIRED FROM  
THE ARMED FORCES. THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL AND  
NATIONAL REDEMPTION COUNCIL WERE NOW IN EMERGENCY  
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SESSION AND FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS WOULD BE  
EXPECTED. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THERE WOULD BE  
NO FUDAMENTAL CHANGES OR MAJOR DEPARTURES IN  
GHANA'S FOREIGN POLICY AND ASKED THAT THIS WORD  
BE SENT TO THE HOME GOVERNMENTS OF THOSE PRESENT.

2. COMMENT: ANNOUNCEMENT CAME AS COMPLETE

SURPRISE TO ASSEMBLED CHIEFS OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS  
AS NO PRIOR NOTICE  
OR EVEN RUMORS OF SUCH A  
MOVE HAD CIRCULATED,CITY IS CALM.  
ANNOUNCEMENT MADE ON 3 P.M. RADIO GHANA NEWS  
BROADCAST.  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED  
AS RECEIVED. HOLMES

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## Message Attributes

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